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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2003/001787	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 19 February 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
TITLE OF INVENTION PIPE COUPLING		
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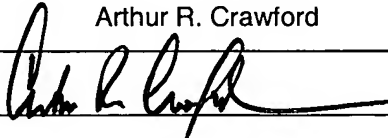
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